



Proclamation

We are the stewards of the next generation. By sharing our experiences and guiding our youth, we can encourage them to find success and happiness in their lives as they become productive and valuable citizens.

In 1994, the Legislature passed the first of two laws specifying the first Sunday in October as "Children's Day" and the following week as "Children's Week." A final bill was passed by the Legislature in 1997, designating the entire month of October as "Children and Youth Month."

As the only state in the country with this established legislation, we are proud to recognize the importance of our keiki and their contributions to our families and our community.

This year, we celebrate the children of the Aloha State with a series of events designed to both educate and entertain Hawai'i's children and their families.

- **October 1** McDonald's & Hawai'i Children's Trust Fund's **Children & Youth Day**
- **October 1** Child Safety and Booster Seat Checkup
- **October 1** Hawai'i Student Film Festival and HSTV Showcase
- **October 13-15** 18th Annual Talk Story Festival
- **October 14-15** Aloha Peace Youth Forum 2006 United Nations Association - HI & SGI-USA HI
- **October 15-21** Teen Read Week
- **October 20** Keiki Caucus Summit
- **October 21** Kapi'olani Medical Center Pali Momi's Family Health Fair
- **October 21** Child Safety and Booster Seat Checkup
- **October 22** Straub Foundation's KidsFest
- **October 31** Windward Mall's Safety Trick or Treat
- **October 31** Bishop Museum Treat Street

These events, which center on the family, offer a positive diversion from our busy lifestyles and an opportunity to nurture the important relationship between parents and children.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE, Governor of the State of Hawai'i and **I, JAMES R. "DUKE" AIONA, JR.**, Lieutenant Governor, do hereby proclaim October 2006 as

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MONTH

in Hawai'i, and encourage all of our citizens to spend quality time with their children.

Done at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-eight day of September 2006.

Handwritten signature of Linda Lingle.

Linda Lingle
Governor, State of Hawai'i

Handwritten signature of James R. "Duke" Aiona, Jr.

James R. "Duke" Aiona, Jr.
Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai'i